

Path 2 Dispatchable Power Systems Overview

Dispatchable Solar Power Systems are ...



Parabolic Trough & Power Tower Systems

- Distributed to Bulk Power (100 kW to 200 MWe)
- Low to Moderate Risk Solar Technology
- Conventional Power Plant Technologies
- Able to dispatch power via hybridization or thermal storage

Dispatchable Systems
Deliver Power ...
When It's Needed!



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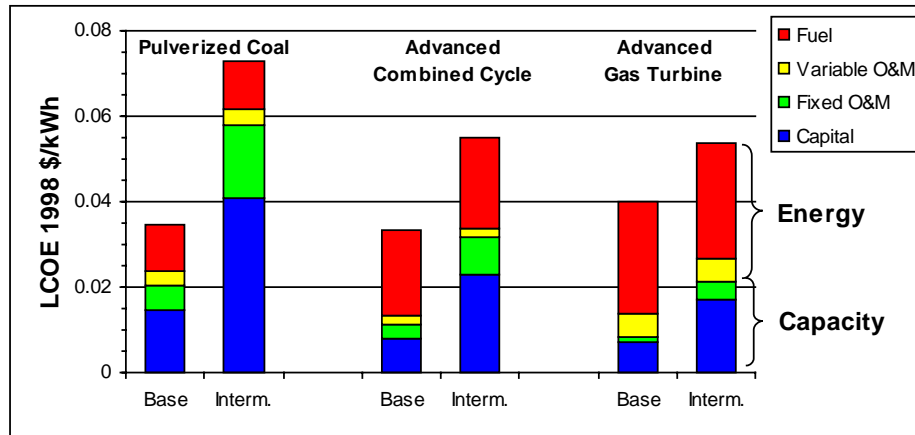
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Parabolic Trough & Power Tower Systems:

- **Lowest cost solar power option**
- Wide range in application size
- Potential for rapid production scale-up
- Opportunities for continued improvement in cost, performance, reliability

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Levelized Cost of Electricity for Large-scale Conventional Technologies



Value of Dispatchable Solar Power (System)
~ 5.5 ¢/kWh

Value of Power from Renewable Technologies

Based on 1999 Fuel Pricing
< \$2 MMBtu Natural Gas

Technology	Dispatchable	Correlation with System Load	Value of Power Produced ¢/kWh	Power Technology Offset	Type of Payments
Dispatchable CSP*	Yes	Good	5.5	Combined Cycle	Energy & Capacity
Large scale PV w/o TES	No	Good	2.3	Combined Cycle	Energy
Wind	No	Poor	1.4 – 2.3	Coal & CC	Energy
Geothermal Biomass	Yes	Baseload	3.5	Coal & CC	Energy & Capacity

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- Value of Dispatchable Solar
 - Energy/Capacity 5.5 ¢/kWh
 - Green Value 3¢/kWh (*RDI based on wind experience*)
- Where is dispatchable the technology
 - Current prices paid to SEGS 10-14 ¢/kWh
 - Next Trough Plants 12-14 ¢/kWh
 - Near-term ~8 ¢/kWh (*4th plant*)

*Diablo Canyon (Nuclear) greater than 10 ¢/kWh
(prior to restructuring)*

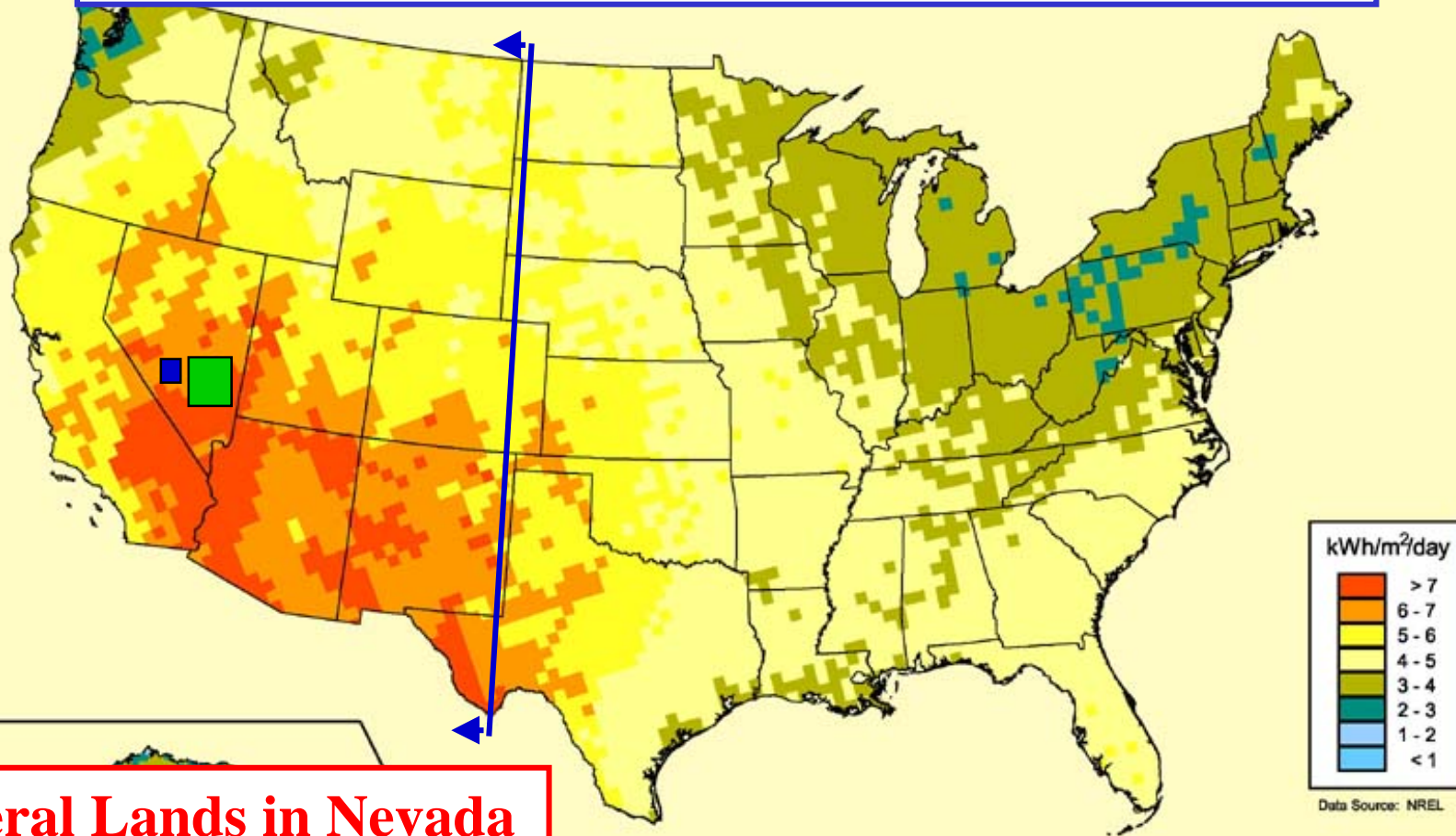


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Why are Tower and Trough CSP Technologies Important?



Federal Lands in Nevada

- 12% Power US
- 3% Power the West



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Technical Status

Parabolic Trough

- Commercially demonstrated
- Low technology and cost risk
- Currently lowest cost near-term solar technology option
- Significant opportunity for improvement

Power Towers

- Pre-commercial demonstration
- Moderate technology risk
- Moderate cost uncertainty
- Future advanced technology option



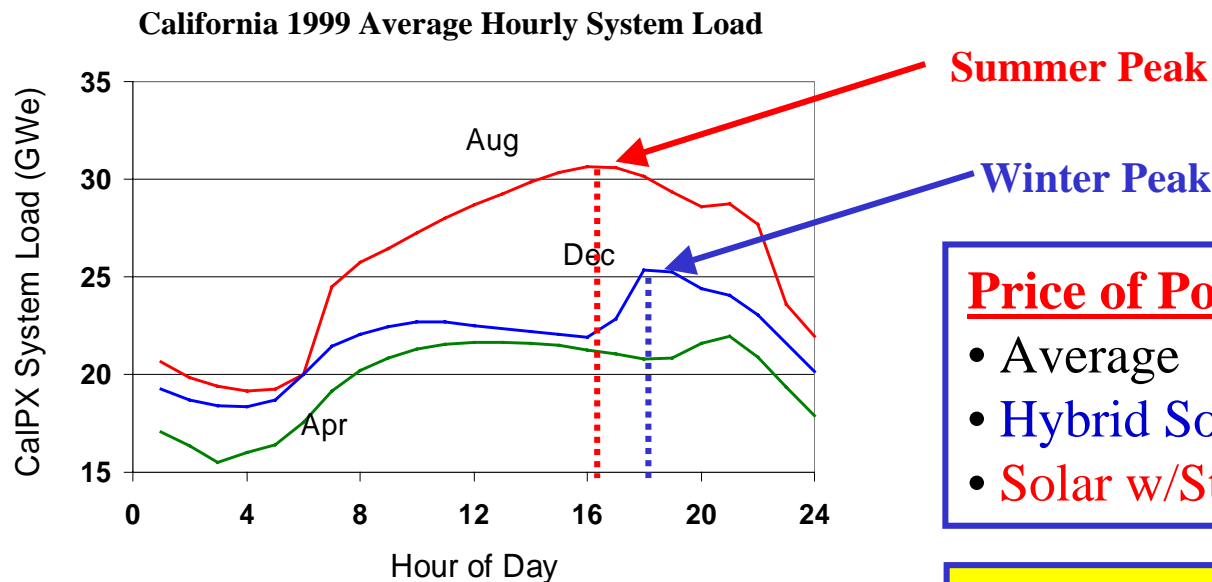
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Why is dispatchability important?



Price of Power (RDI Analysis)

- Average 4.3 ¢/kWh
- Hybrid Solar 6.0 ¢/kWh
- Solar w/Storage 6.0 ¢/kWh

Make power when:

- It's needed!
- It has the highest value!



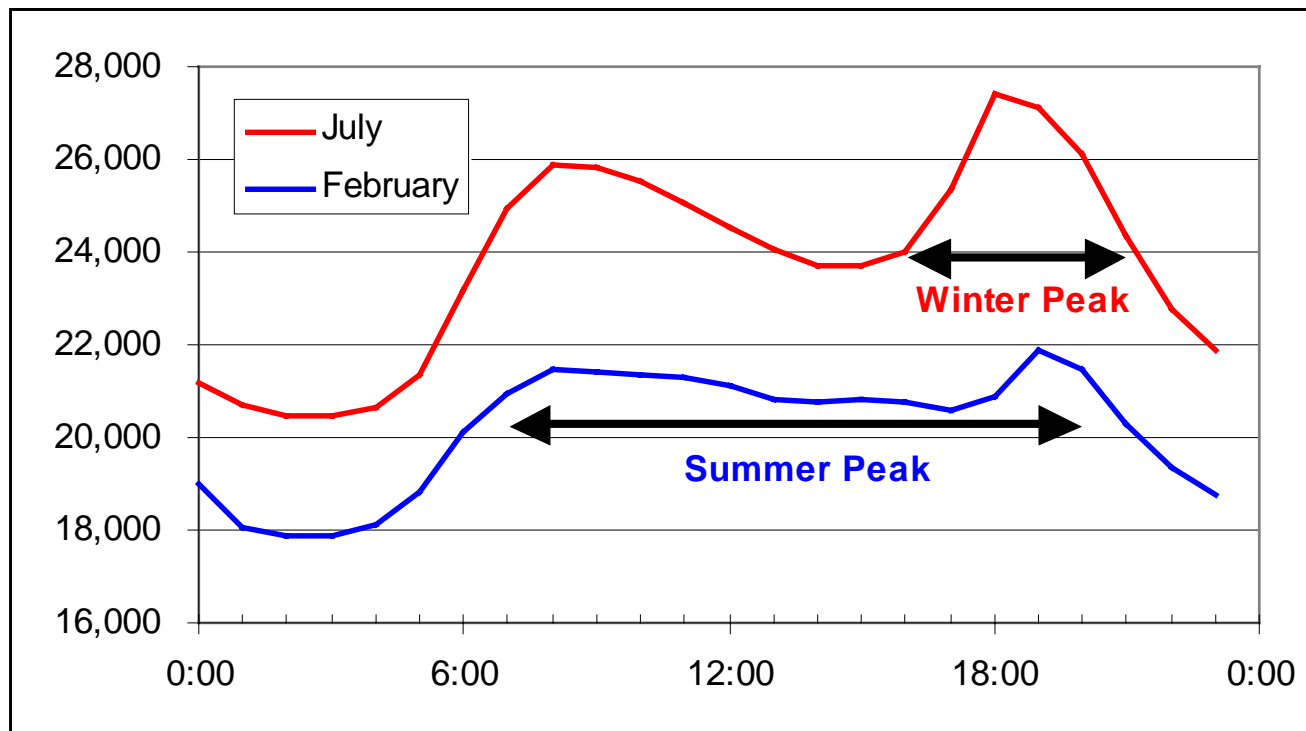
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Eskom Load Profile

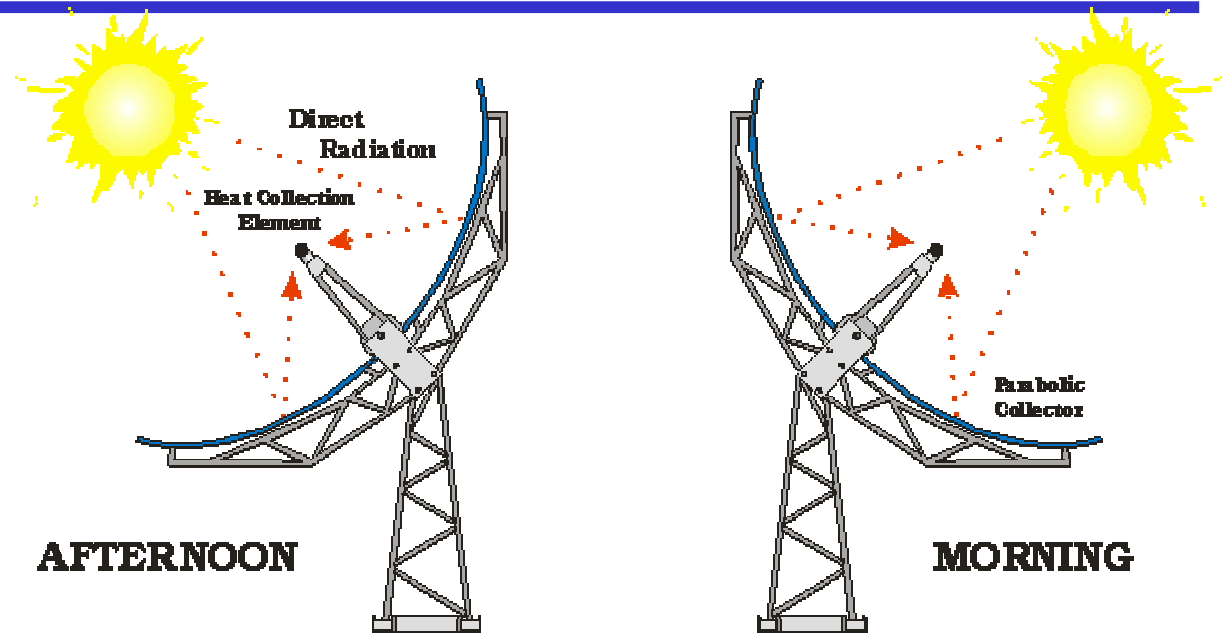


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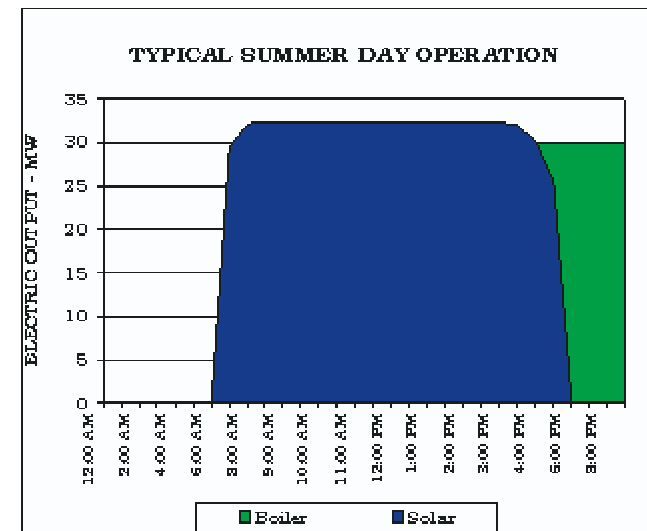
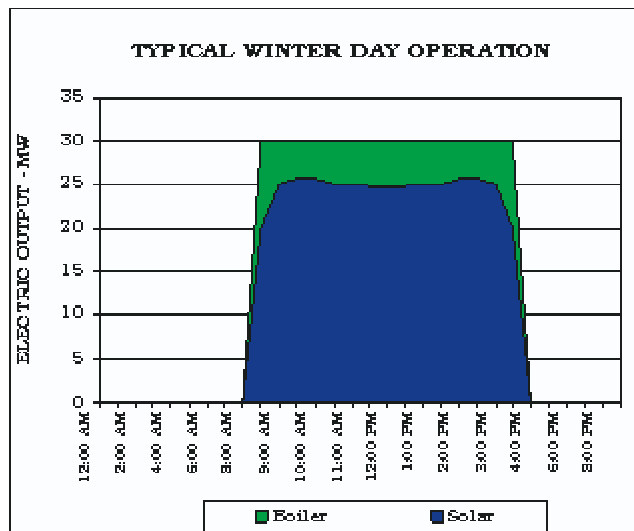
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Simple Schematic of Parabolic Trough Operation (North-South Axis)

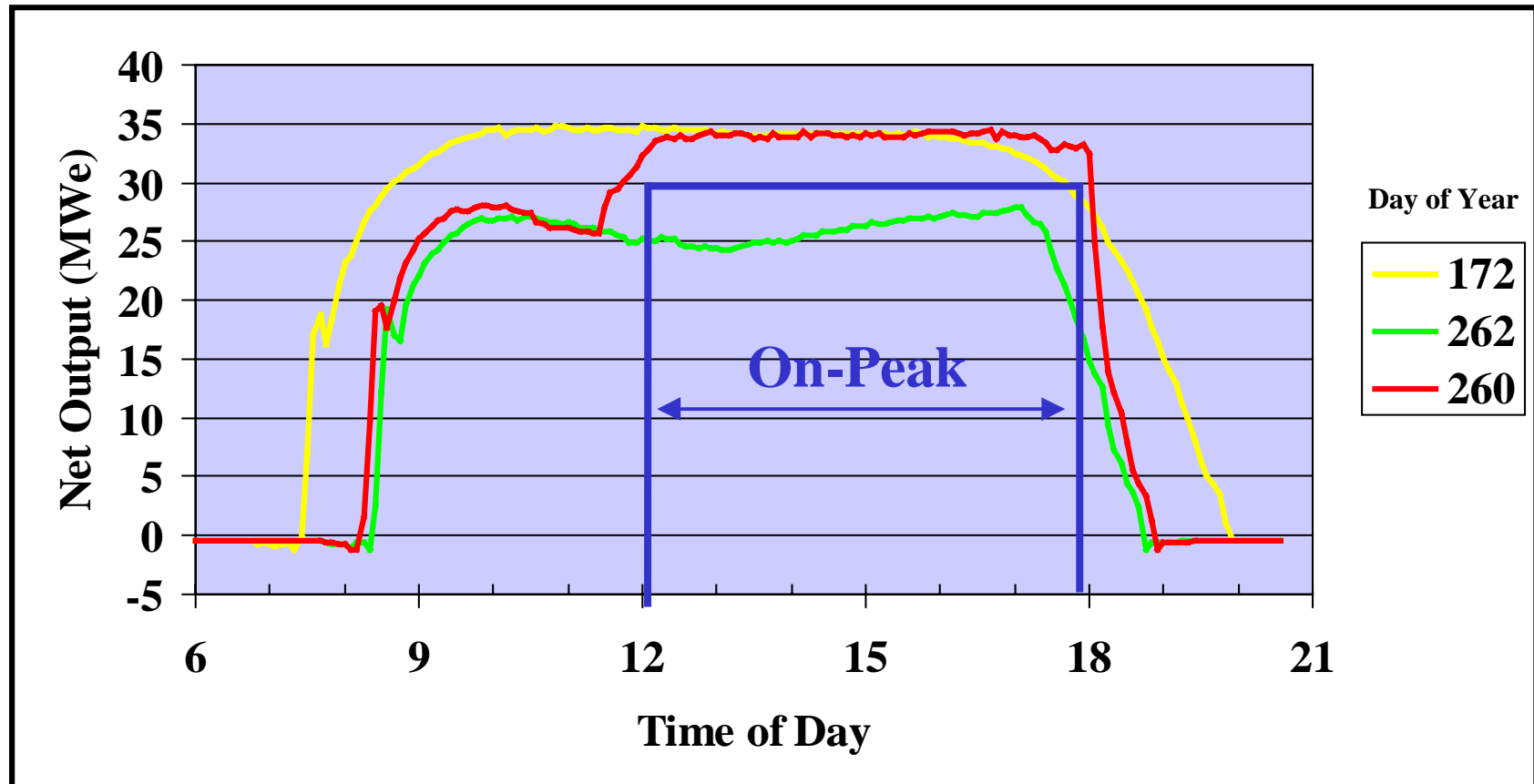


Modes of Operation



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30 MW SEGS Plant Output

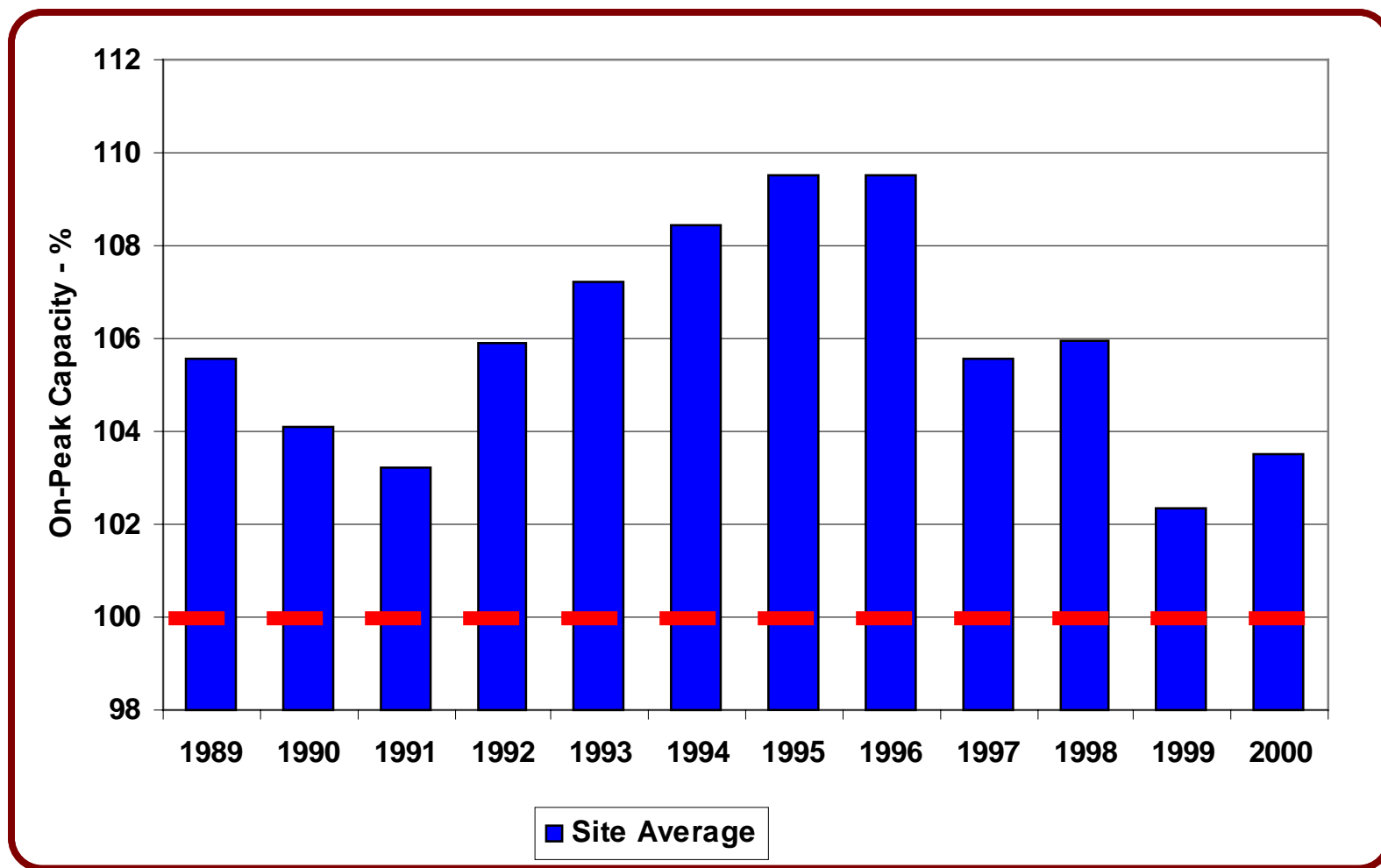


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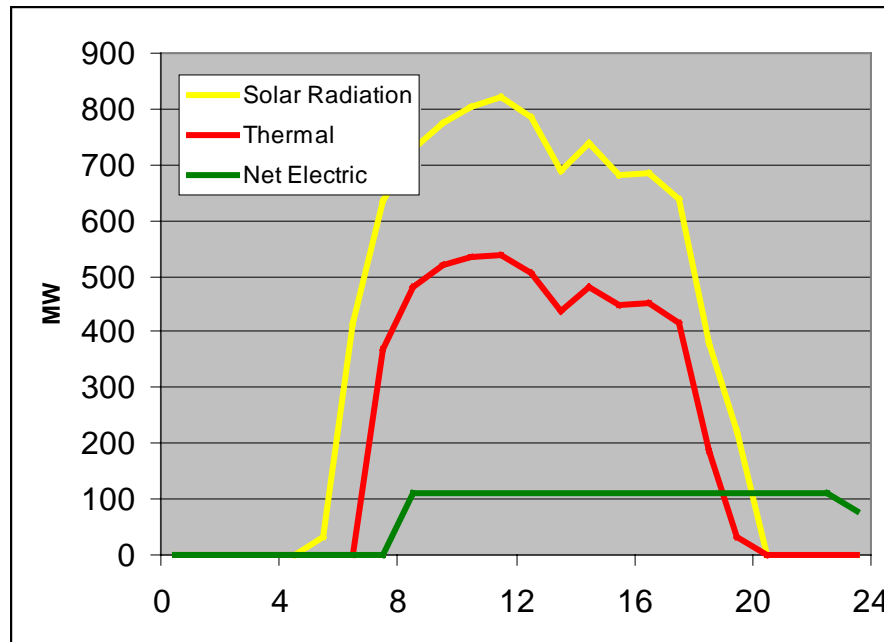
Kramer Junction SEGS Peak Capacity



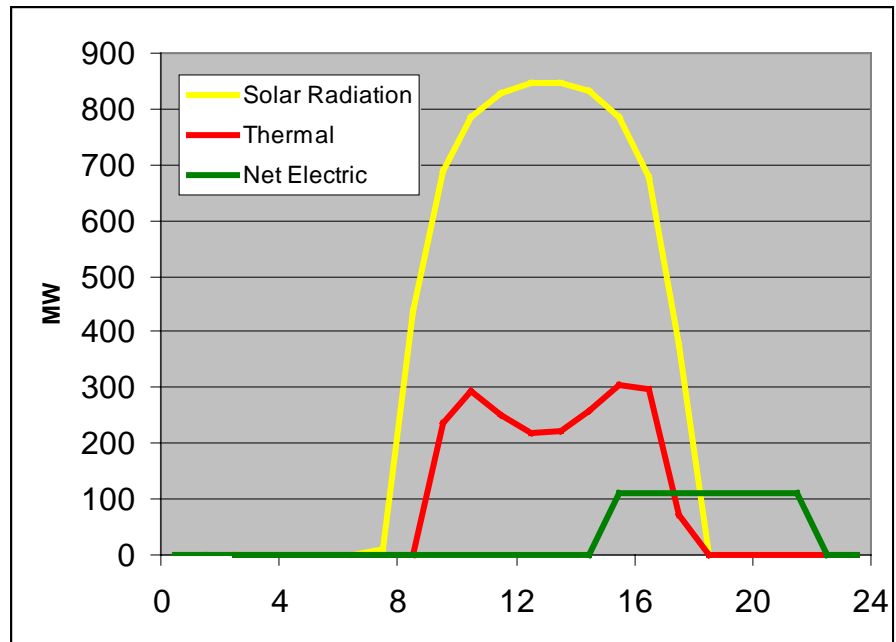
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Power Dispatch for Trough Plant with Thermal Storage

Summer



Winter



100 MW Trough Plant
1.8 Solar Multiple
6 hours Thermal Storage

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Meeting Peak Hour Demand (Full Year)

Peak Capacity Factor

Wind	25%	CEC Report
Solar w/o Storage	36%	
Solar w/ Storage	87% - 102%	
Hybrid Solar	>100%	KJ SEGS Experience



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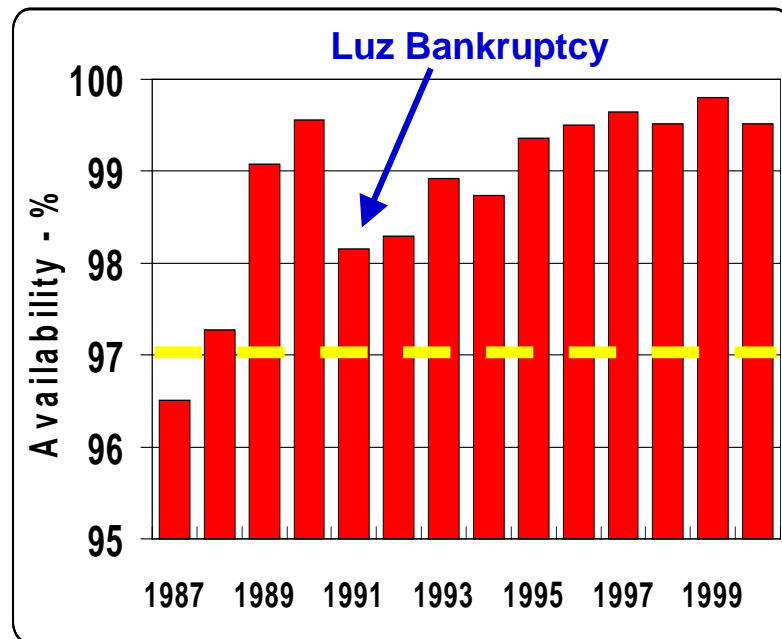
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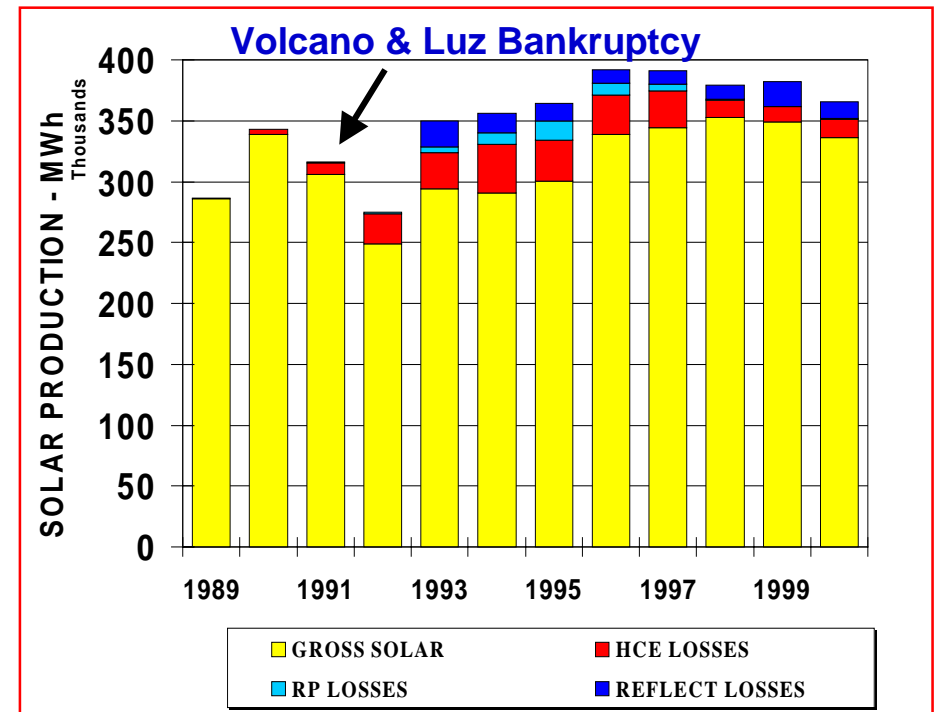
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Trough Technology Stellar Performance Record

Solar Field Availability



Solar Electric Generation



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Parabolic Trough/Accomplishments

- Nine Commercial Plants in U.S.
 - Over 1.2 Billion in commercial financing
- 126 plant years (1st plant in 17th year of Operation)
- Generated > 9,000,000,000 Solar kWhrs
- Demonstrated Dispatchable Operation
 - SEGS I – Thermal Storage
 - SEGS II-IX – Fossil Hybrid
- Technology continues to be improved

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Trough Technology

- CSP Trough Program Overview
- Trough Solar Technology R&D
- Trough Thermal Storage R&D
- Power Cycle Integration R&D
- Trough Industry

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